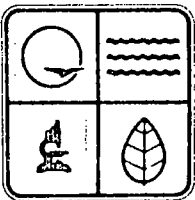


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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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GAF- Certainteed Site
Complaint #HW 30-82

August 2, 1982

Ms. Verna Tallevast
9317 Laramie Drive
Bellefontaine Neighbors, MO 63137

Dear Ms. Tallevast:

Ms. Martha Steincamp with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency asked me to address the concern you expressed about the pipe scrap containing asbestos exposed on the bank of Maline Creek. The site in question is located at the northwest corner of the property formerly occupied by the Certainteed Corporation, off St. Cyr Road in Bellefontaine Neighbors.

As you probably know, this scrap material is part of an old asbestos waste disposal area created in the past as a result of production activities at both the Certainteed and GAF companies. Staff of this office had previously worked out a voluntary agreement with both parties to cover and otherwise stabilize the overall waste site, so as to minimize any releases to the environment. In May of 1980, we conducted a final inspection and concluded that the companies had complied with the terms of the approved project plans.

The problem at the site which came to light more recently resulted from the fact that the plans allowed for a small portion of the original disposal area to remain in an undisturbed state, essentially at the bend in the creek at the corner of the property as previously described. Unfortunately, this section became exposed with the brush/debris clearing work undertaken by the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District for channel improvements along Maline Creek.

We have since been advised by Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District that they also intend to clean-up the remaining pipe scrap, with assistance to be provided as well by the City of Bellefontaine Neighbors. In order to ensure proper final disposition of the removed material, we are also working with the Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District to arrange disposal at a suitable landfill permitted by the Department. Once this removal project is completed, I believe the whole situation will be resolved to everyone's satisfaction.

Sincerely,

Mike Duvall

Mike Duvall
Chief, Waste Management
St. Louis Regional Office

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cc Martha Steincamp, EPA, Region 7

Christopher S. Bond Governor
Fred A. Lofser Director
St. Louis Regional Office

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